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Ministère de l'Environnement

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Richard Dwyer
Licensing Administrator
Nunavut Water Board

via Email to: licensingadmin@nunavutwaterboard.org

RE: NWB FILE # 2AM-MEA0815 -- Updated Water Management Plan & Mine Waste Management Plan

Dear Mr. Dwyer:

The Government of Nunavut, Department of Environment (DOE) has reviewed the updated Water Management Plan and Mine Waste Management Plan from Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd. Meadowbank Division (AEM). The DOE has the following comments and recommendations based on the *Environmental Protection Act.*

LICENCE CONDITIONS

Part F-Section 16 of the water license states that the Licensee is to include an Ammonia Management Plan as part of the revised Mine Waste and Water Management Plan; however, the current plans do not appear to have this inclusion. The DOE recommends that the Proponent prepare and submit an Ammonia Management Plan as an addendum to the current Mine Waste and Water Management Plan.

MONITORING

DOE recommends that the Proponent include a site map outlining the locations of all monitoring wells and thermistors on site.

The DOE thanks the NWB for giving us the opportunity to review and provide comments on the Water Management Plan and Mine Waste Management Plan from AEM. Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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